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IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces any earlier listing:

1-7. (canceled)

8. (currently amended) A switch for actuating a first lighting system for emitting visible light having a number of lighting states with a lower beam and an upper beam, and for actuating a second lighting system for emitting visible light of at least one further lighting device, the switch having a number of switching stages representing lighting states for actuating the lighting systems,

wherein the switch has an additional switching stage for actuating a third lighting system, which emits light in the infrared wavelength region or in the non-visible wavelength region,

wherein the arrangement of the switching stages of the switch is fixed in such a way that the second and the third lighting system can be switched on only after switching the switching stage representing the lower beam, and

wherein it is possible for the second and the third lighting systems to be operated independently of one another.

9. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 8, wherein said switch is rotatably mounted.

10. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 8, wherein the switch is mounted by means of a swivel axis.

11. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 8, wherein all the switching stages are actuated in the same direction, the switch latching tight at the respective position of a
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switching stage and being held in this position of itself.

12. (currently amended) The switch as claimed in claim 8, wherein a pilot light is fitted on the switch in order to indicate the operation of ~~one of the further lighting means~~ at least one of the second lighting system and the third lighting system.

13. (previously presented) A switch for actuating a first lighting system for emitting visible light having a number of lighting states with a lower beam and an upper beam, and for actuating a second lighting system for emitting light whose wavelength region is in the infrared or in the non-visible wavelength region, having a single switch that has a number of switching stages representing lighting states for actuating the two lighting systems,

wherein the arrangement of the switching stages of the switch is fixed in such a way that the switching stage representing the upper beam can be switched on only after switching the switching stage of the second lighting system.

14. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein in one direction, the switch has switching stages that cannot latch tight and can be held manually at the respective position of a switching stage.

15. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein in the direction facing the driver the switch has switching stages that cannot latch tight and can be held manually at the respective position of a switching stage.

16. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein the switch is rotatably mounted.

17. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein the switch is mounted by means of a swivel axis.

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18. (previously presented) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein all the switching stages are actuated in the same direction, the switch latching tight at the respective position of a switching stage and being held in this position of itself.

19. (currently amended) The switch as claimed in claim 13, wherein a pilot light is fitted on the switch in order to indicate the operation of ~~one of the further lighting means~~ the second lighting system.

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